

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1291

April 8, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a statewide 24/7 sobriety program to be administered by the Office of the Attorney General and Reporter (AG). Requires the AG to coordinate with local and state government entities to find and implement alternatives to incarceration for certain offenses that involve driving under the influence and other offenses involving alcohol, marijuana, or controlled substances. Creates the 24/7 Sobriety Fund and outlines requirements for participation from counties, the Department of Correction, courts, and the Board of Parole.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Other Fiscal Impact – Any amount of revenue to the 24/7 Sobriety Fund from private parties, grants, or fees is dependent on unknown factors and cannot be reasonably determined. The total expenditures to such Fund are dependent on the number of participating counties, individual participants, and additional unknown factors and cannot be reasonably determined; however, it is assumed that any expenditures will be offset by Fund revenue.**

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation creates the 24/7 Sobriety Fund to defray the costs of operating the 24/7 sobriety program and authorizes accepting money from donations, gifts, grants, participation fees, and user payment fees or payments for deposit into the fund and outlines fee distribution to the fund.
- The proposed legislation may result in an increase in state expenditures to the AG to implement and manage the 24/7 sobriety program and result in an increase in revenue resulting from the collection of fees from participants in the program.
- Due to unknown factors, including but not limited to: the number of counties participating in such programming, the number of individuals participating in such programming, the ability for participants to pay for such programming, and amount of revenue generated from donations, gifts, grants and fees, a precise fiscal impact cannot be reasonably determined; however, it is assumed that any expenditures to the 24/7 Sobriety Fund will be offset by revenue to the Fund.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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